

(2) Amended Claims

1. (Currently amended) A process for imparting a wood grain and coloration to a textured ~~surface~~ substrate having a patterned of texture surfaces with grain-like recesses therein, comprising:

- (1) applying an opaque, pigmented, coating composition as a base coat having a base coat color ~~substrate~~;
 - (2) drying the base coat;
 - (3) applying a pigmented, water-based graining coat having a graining coat color in an amount sufficient to provide a darkening color to the grain-like recesses in the substrate and to the base coat; and
 - (4) spreading the pigmented graining coat to color at least a majority of the grain-like recesses in the substrate, while retaining a coating of that graining coat on the texture surface, which pigmented graining coat partially screens and color modifies the base coat color ~~and provides to thereby provide~~ a natural look in terms of wood grain and coloration of a selected wood type; and
 - (5) drying the graining coat to provide a said wood grain and coloration.
2. (Original) A process according to claim 1, wherein the graining coat is applied at a rate of from about 1 to 3 ounces per 32 square feet of surface.
3. (Original) A process according to claim 1, wherein the base coat comprises a crosslinkable acrylic.
4. (Original) A process according to claim 1, wherein the graining coat comprises a crosslinkable urethane/acrylic.
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13. (Currently amended) A process for imparting a wood grain to a textured surface having a pattern of texture surfaces with grain-like recesses therein, comprising:

- (1) applying to a wood-grain textured substrate an opaque, pigmented, water-based base coat, comprising a) a crosslinking acrylic polymer; b) a surfactant component; c) a water-soluble, aqueous solvent for the polymer; and d) a pigment component;
- (2) drying the base coat;
- (3) applying a pigmented, water-based graining coat over the base coat in an amount sufficient to partially screen and modify the base coat color and darkening the color of at least a majority of the grain-like recesses in the substrate, said a pigmented, water-based graining coat ~~that provides~~ providing a finish that exhibits ~~imparts~~ the coloration and graining of a predetermined wood-characterized by ultraviolet light stability; and
- (4) air drying the graining coat.

14. (Currently amended) A process for imparting a repairable wood grain to a textured surface having a pattern of texture surfaces with recesses therein, comprising:

- (1) applying to an adherent wood-grain textured substrate an opaque, pigmented, water-based paint emulsion base coat comprising
 - a) a crosslinkable acrylic polymer;
 - b) a surfactant component;
 - c) a water-soluble, aqueous solvent for the polymer; and
 - d) a pigment component;
- (2) drying the base coat;
- (3) applying to the base coat following drying, a water-based pigmented, transparent but darkening graining coat in an amount sufficient to to partially screen and modify the base coat color and darkening the color of at least a majority of the grain-like recesses in the substrate, comprising
 - a) a crosslinkable acrylic;
 - b) a surfactant;
 - c) a water-soluble, aqueous solvent for the polymer; and
 - d) a pigment component,wherein the pigmented graining coat containing the crosslinkable polymer provides a finish that imparts the coloration and graining of a predetermined wood characterized by ultraviolet light stability; and
- (4) air drying the graining coat.

15. (Previously amended) A process according to claim 14 wherein the acrylic in the graining coat comprises a water reducible alkyd.

16. (Previously amended) A process according to claim 14 wherein the acrylic in the graining coat comprises a urethane/acrylic.